

The Marwar Trust and WSPA Team Up To

Control Rabies in Jodhpur, India.

05th January 2006 - The Marwar Trust has announced that the World Society for the Protection of Animals has provided a major grant to its Jodhpur Project, based in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, North West India. The Project is designed to validate a humane approach to canine rabies control.

"WSPA's support for this programme vindicates the hard work the team has put in to get the project up and running. We are delighted that WSPA has joined us as partners on this important project. Their support and commitment will ensure that tens of thousands of animals will be better off," says Federico Spinola, Chairman of the Marwar Trust UK.

Dr Elly Hiby of WSPA said, "The Marwar Trust's project with the involvement of the World Health Organisation represents a unique opportunity to demonstrate that spay and neuter and anti-rabies vaccination can be an effective control to canine rabies. We look forward to the evolution of the project and we are proud of our work to help the lives of animals across the world."

The partnership between WSPA and the Marwar Trust represents a multi-year commitment of over 250,000 USD. The partnership will focus on the development of the Marwar Trust's diagnostic facilities as well as ensuring that thousands of dogs are spayed and neutered and rabies vaccinated each year.

About The Marwar Trust

Founded in 2003, The Marwar Trust is a UK and Indian registered non-profit, dedicated to the control of canine rabies in India. The Trust accomplishes its mission through a program that combines canine sterilization and immunization with public education, professional training and the collection and analysis of data.

About The World Society for the Protection of Animals

For 25 years, WSPA has aimed to promote the concept of animal welfare in regions of the world where there are few, if any, measures to protect animals. With consultative status at both the United Nations and the Council of Europe, WSPA is the world's largest federation of animal welfare societies. WSPA has a growing network with over 650 member organisations in more than 140 countries.

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